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## Newsletter April 2024

This will be just a short letter to conclude the term and provide some information for forward planning.

The next practical exam session will take place between June and July and the booking period is fast approaching. I have already spoken to some of you who feel that you might be ready this time around, and we will be discussing your timetable for this over the next few weeks. For anyone else that may be looking to sit an exam this year, the next sitting after July will be the 3<sup>rd</sup> and final session for 2024, running November to December. If you feel you would like to aim for this, and we haven't already begun planning then please speak to me.

Whilst exams are not necessary or wanted by all, we can still give you something to aim for and encourage you to achieve your best and reach your personal goals. An example of this would be taking part in, and preparing for, this year's Christmas recital. I will be starting to make plans for this towards the end of the Summer term, and seeing what a huge success it was last year I am very much looking forward to it again for 2024!

**Just a few quick reminders-** Please can you all be punctual for lesson drop offs and pick-ups. As you have probably all noticed I am now very busy and I do not have a covered waiting area therefore, when the weather is unpleasant you still have to wait outside and I can not keep students in my teaching room when others have arrived on time for their lessons. Similarly, if you turn up early for a lesson you will more than likely still have to wait outside the room until your allocated lesson time.

Please can you be reminded of my cancellation policy, I require at least **24 hour notice** of a cancellation, otherwise I will charge you for your full lesson fee. If you continue to successively cancel lessons, regardless of advance notification, I may fill your allocated time slot if it is needed by someone else.

Payment for lessons should be made to me on the day, and **no later** than by completion of your lesson if you are paying by bank transfer. If I have to follow up for bank transfer payments, I may ask you to pay in future by cash instead. Thank you in advance for your understanding of the matter, and I wish you all a Happy Easter.



## Exam News

### *Practical ABRSM exams (Session 2)*

Booking Period: 16<sup>th</sup> April – 29<sup>th</sup> April 2024

Exam Dates: 10<sup>th</sup> June – 13<sup>th</sup> July 2024.

### Practical exam fees

Prep Test	50 GBP
Initial Grade	50 GBP
Grade 1	56 GBP
Grade 2	64 GBP
Grade 3	74 GBP
Grade 4	81 GBP
Grade 5	88 GBP
Grade 6	102 GBP
Grade 7	110 GBP
Grade 8	130 GBP